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## MEMORANDUM FOR SEE DISTRIBUTION

SUBJECT: Command Emphasis - Armed Forces Voters Week

- 1. In support of the Services' voting assistance programs, the Secretary of Defense has designated the week of 31 August-7 September 2008 as Armed Forces Voters Week. As part of the continuing efforts to provide voting assistance to our Soldiers and their Families, command emphasis is requested to support this upcoming special week. Local events should be conducted during this week publicizing the upcoming 4 November 2008 elections. The activities should focus on the importance of voting and should be designed to inform eligible voters on the procedures required to obtain absentee ballots for the general election, which include the dissemination of supporting materials.
- 2. The Army and Air Force Exchange Service, the Defense Commissary Agency, and the Morale, Welfare, and Recreation offices have been requested to support installation events by making space available for voter information materials and registration tables.
- 3. The 4 November 2008 General Election is fast approaching. It is a command responsibility to provide all the support necessary to ensure Soldiers have the opportunity to cast a valid ballot.
- 4. Voting is both a privilege and a responsibility of citizens in a democracy. Your personal involvement will ensure the success and effectiveness of this most important program.

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